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Self Help Groups
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Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that Self Help Groups(SHGs) become more or less a part and parcel of the society and work for the betterment of society;
(b) if so, the details thereof;
(c) whether the Government has any proposal to involve SHGs in implementing all the social development programmes, besides carrying on manufacturing and trading activities to achieve maximum possible success; and
(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
(SHRIMATI KRISHNA RAJ)

(a) to (d): It is the endeavour of the Ministry to engage with women Self Help Groups with the objective of empowering the individuals. Rashtriya Mahila Kosh (RMK) is an autonomous organization under the Ministry of Women & Child Development (MWCD) set up during 1993 as a society registered under the Societies Registration Act 1860 and an apex micro-finance organization to provide micro-credit at concessional rate of interest to women Self Help Groups or individual women (the ultimate beneficiaries) through Intermediary Micro-financing Organizations (IMOs) /Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs)/ Voluntary Organisations (VOs) for various livelihood support and income generating activities.

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